

UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

BEFORE THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS
AND INTERFERENCES

Ex parte JORGEN K. SMEDEGAARD

Application 10/619,237
Technology Center 3700

Mailed: August 24, 2009

Before *JOYCE GUNTER-RILEY, Review Paralegal.*

GUNTER-RILEY, Review Paralegal.

ORDER RETURNING UNDOCKETED APPEAL

This application was electronically received by the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences on August 10, 2009. A review of the application revealed that it is not ready for docketing as an appeal. Accordingly, the application is herewith being returned to the Examiner to address the following matter(s) requiring attention prior to docketing.

AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL

A review of the file indicates that on December 09, 2009, Appellant filed an Amendment After Final in response to the Final Rejection mailed January 11, 2008. It is not clear whether this Amendment has been considered because an Advisory Action has not been mailed or because box 7 of an Advisory Action fails to indicate whether or not the proposed amendment will or will not be entered for purposes of appeal. Clarification from the Examiner is required.

CONCLUSION

Accordingly, it is hereby

ORDERED that the application is returned to the Examiner for further consideration.

- 1) appropriately respond to the Amendment After Final;
 - 2) vacate the Examiner's Answer mailed April 29, 2009;
 - 3) provide a new Examiner's Answer including a correct "Status of Amendment" section in addition to correction to other sections as required;
- and

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4) for such further consideration

If there are any questions pertaining to this Order, please contact the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences at 571-272-9797

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